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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Office of Managing Director
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Room TW-B204
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**Re: Oral Ex Parte Presentation
CC Docket No. 96-45**

Dear Madam Secretary:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR Section 1.1206, we hereby provide you with notice of an oral *ex parte* presentation in connection with the above-captioned proceeding. On Thursday, October 31, 2002, David LaFuria met with William Maher, Carol Matthey, Jessica Rosenworcel, Cara Voth, Mark Seifert, Eric Einhorn, Romanda Williams, Anita Cheng, Rose Crellin, and Jeffrey Steinberg of the Commission's Wireline Competition Bureau on behalf of Guam Cellular and Paging, Inc. d/b/a Saipancell ("Saipancell"). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss Saipancell's pending Petition for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in Saipan. Counsel for Saipancell provided explanations to the Commission staff regarding its requested designation, consistent with the arguments it advanced in its Petition, reply comments, and other pleadings it has filed in this proceeding. Counsel also highlighted the public interest benefits of the requested designation and requested a prompt grant of the Petition.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, two copies of this letter and of the materials distributed to those persons attending the meeting are enclosed for inclusion in the Commission's docket file.

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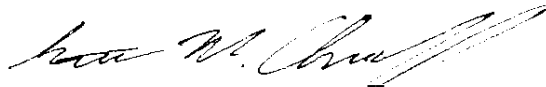
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If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact undersigned counsel directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven M. Chernoff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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